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In re Application of  
Crow, *et al.*

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**REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING DATE**

Sir:

A corrected filing date is hereby requested in view of the error which appears on the returned postcard. The original postcard accompanied application serial no. 09/542,273 when transmitted to the Patent and Trademark Office for filing. The application was filed by Express Mail on **April 3, 2000**. The error on the returned, date-stamped postcard is the date stamp of **April 4, 2000**. For the convenience of the Patent and Trademark Office, attached are the following supporting documents for **April 3, 2000** as the correct filing date for this application:

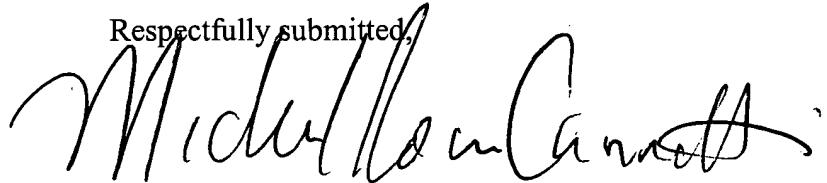
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Therefore, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.10 (c), Applicant hereby requests the Office to correct the date of receipt of the above identified patent application and accord it a filing date of **April 3, 2000.**

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Respectfully submitted,

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